

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract on page 15 with the following:

The temperature of an extrusion die head having a stator ~~means~~ is selectively controlled as a function of the bulk density of the final extruded product, thereby to maintain the bulk density at a targeted value by regulating the temperature of the extruding product. A programmable logic computer for regulating a multi-tasking processor to constantly monitor, control, and display speed, head gap position, gross temperature, feed rate and target moisture additionally regulates the flow of cooling liquid through a water jacket formed in the stator ~~means~~ of the extruder die head surrounding the extrusion die opening or gap.

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